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Application No. : 10/681,341 Confirmation No. 3382
Applicant : René PAQUET et al
Filed : October 9, 2003
Art Unit : 3745
Title : SHROUDED TURBINE BLADES WITH LOCALLY
INCREASED CONTACT FACES
Examiner : Christopher M. Verdier

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of May 26, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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